By 2030, the number of elderly Americans will double. This is a seismic demographic shift with great consequences for our Nation. We must keep Social Security a rock-solid guarantee. That is why I proposed in my State of the Union address that we invest the surplus to save Social Security. I proposed that we commit 62 percent of the budget surplus for the next 15 years to Social Security. I also proposed investing a small portion in the private sector. This will allow the trust fund to earn a higher return and keep Social Security sound until 2055.

But we must aim higher. We should put Social Security on a sound footing for the next 75 years. We should reduce poverty among elderly women, who are nearly twice as likely to be poor as other seniors. And we should eliminate the limits on what seniors on Social Security can earn. These changes will require difficult but fully achievable choices over and above the dedication of the surplus.

Once we have saved Social Security, we must fulfill our obligation to save and improve Medicare and invest in long-term health care. That is why I have called for broader, bipartisan reforms that keep Medicare secure until 2020 through additional savings and modernizing the program with market-oriented purchasing tools, while also providing a long-overdue prescription drug benefit.

By saving the money we will need to save Social Security and Medicare, over the next 15 years we will achieve the lowest ratio of publicly held debt to gross domestic product since 1917. This debt reduction will help keep future interest rates low or drive them even lower, fueling economic growth well into the 21st century.

To spur future growth, we must also encourage private retirement saving. In my State of the Union address I proposed that we use about 12 percent of the surplus to establish new Universal Savings Accounts—USA accounts. These will ensure that all Americans have the means to save. Americans could receive a flat tax credit to contribute to their USA accounts and additional tax credits to match a portion of their savings—with more help for lower income Americans. This is the right way to provide tax relief to the American people.

Education is also key to our Nation's future prosperity. That is why I proposed in my State of the Union address a plan to create 21st-century schools through greater investment and more accountability. Under my plan, States and school districts that accept Federal resources will be required to end social promotion, turn around or close failing schools, support high-quality teachers, and promote innovation, competition, and discipline. My plan also proposes increasing Federal investments to help States and school districts take responsibility for failing schools, to recruit and train new teachers, to expand after school and summer school programs, and to build or fix 5.000 schools

At this time of continued turmoil in the international economy, we must do more to help create stability and open markets around the world. We must press forward with open trade. It would be a terrible mistake, at this time of economic fragility in so many regions, for the United States to build new walls of protectionism that could set off a chain reaction around the world, imperiling the growth upon which we depend. At the same time, we must do more to make sure that working people are lifted up by trade. We must do more to ensure that spirited economic competition among nations never becomes a race to the bottom in the area of environmental protections or labor standards.

Strengthening the foundations of trade means strengthening the architecture of international finance. The United States must continue to lead in stabilizing the world financial system. When nations around the world descend into economic disruption, consigning populations to poverty, it hurts them and it hurts us. These nations are our trading partners; they buy our products and can ship low-cost products to American consumers.

The U.S. proposal for containing financial contagion has been taken up around the world: interest rates are being cut here and abroad, America is meeting its obligations to the International Monetary Fund, and a new facility has been created at the World Bank to strengthen the social safety net in Asia. And agreement has been reached to establish a new precautionary line of credit, so nations with strong economic policies can quickly get the help they need before financial problems mushroom from concerns to crises.

We must do more to renew our cities and distressed rural areas. My Administration has pursued a new strategy, based on empowerment and investment, and we have seen its success. With the critical assistance of Empowerment Zones, unemployment rates in cities across the country have dropped dramatically. But we have more work to do to bring the spark of private enterprise to neighborhoods that have too long been without hope. That is why my budget includes an innovative "New Markets" initiative to spur \$15 billion in new private sector capital investment in businesses in underserved areas through a package of tax credits and guarantees.

GOING FORWARD TOGETHER IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Now, on the verge of another American Century, our economy is at the pinnacle of power and success, but challenges remain. Technology and trade and the spread of information have transformed our economy, offering great opportunities but also posing great challenges. All Americans must be equipped with the skills to succeed and prosper in the new economy. Amer-

ica must have the courage to move forward and renew its ideas and institutions to meet new challenges. There are no limits to the world we can create, together, in the century to come.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON. THE WHITE HOUSE, February 4, 1999.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:00 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 68. An act to amend section 20 of the Small Business Act and make technical corrections in title III of the Small Business Investment Act.

H.R. 98. An act to amend chapter 443 of title 49, United States Code, to extend the aviation war risk insurance program and to amend the Centennial of Flight Commemoration Act to make technical and other corrections.

H.R. 99. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend Federal Aviation Administration programs through September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.

H.R. 432. An act to designate the North/South Center as the Dante B. Fascell North-South Center.

The message also announced that the House agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 19. Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 8002 of the Internal Revenue code of 1986, the Committee on Ways and Means designated the following Members of the House to serve on the Joint Committee on Taxation for the 106th Congress: Mr. ARCHER, Mr. CRANE, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. STARK.

The message also announced that pursuant to the provisions of 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of the Joint Economic Committee: Mr. SAXTON of New Jersey.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1374. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on three rescissions of budget authority dated February 1, 1999; transmitted jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1375. A communication from the Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on loans and guarantees issued under

the Arms Export Control Act as of September 30, 1998; to the Committee on Foreign Relations

EC-1376. A communication from the Register of Copyrights, United States Copyright Office, Library of Congress, transmitting, pursuant to law, a schedule of proposed new copyright fees; to the Committee on the Judiciary

EC-1377. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a cost comparison of the Base Operating Support functions at Lockland Air Force Base, Texas; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1378. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Coverage of Ambulance Services and Vehicle and Staff Requirements" (RIN0938-AH13) received on January 26, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1379. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weighted Average Interest Rate Update" (Notice 99-7) received on January 25, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1380. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) Taxation of Amounts Under Employee Benefit Plans" (RIN1545-AT27) received on January 28, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1381. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA) Taxation of Amounts Under Employee Benefit Plans" (RIN1545-AT99) received on January 28, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1382. A communication from the Federal Register Certifying Officer, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acceptance of Bonds Secured By Government Obligations in Lieu of Bonds with Sureties" (RIN1510-AA36) received on January 27, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1383. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Salable Quantities and Allotment Percentages for the 1999-2000 Marketing Year" (Docket FV-99-985-1 FR) received on January 26, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1384. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Azoxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (RIN2070-AB78) received on January 26, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1385. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Tolerances for Canceled Food Uses; Correction" (FRL6043-7) received on January 26, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1386. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection

Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lambda-cyhalothrin; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL6056-2) received on January 26, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1387. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fenbuconazole; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL6054-3) received on January 26, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1388. A communication from the Director of the Office of the Communication from the Director of the Office of the Communication from the Director of the Office of the Office

EC-1388. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rescission of Cryolite Tolerance Revocations; Final Rule, Delay of Effective Date" (FRL6058-7) received on January 26, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. EC-1389. A communication from the Presi-

EC-1389. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to grave acts of violence committed by foreign terrorists that disrupt the Middle East peace process is to continue in effect beyond January 23, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1390. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bureau of Export Administration's report entitled "Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1999" and the "1999 Report to Congress on Foreign Policy Export Controls"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

ing, and Urban Affairs. EC-1391. A communication from the Vice Chair of the Import-Export Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a financial guarantee to support the sale of certain Boeing aircraft to Ireland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1392. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Import-Export Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's report on Sub-Saharan Africa and the Export-Import Bank of the United States; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. EC-1393. A communication from the Gen-

EC-1393. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of the Treasury, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to produce currency, postage stamps, and other security documents for foreign governments, and security documents for State governments and their political subdivisions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1394. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exports of High Performance Computers; Post-shipment Verification Reporting Procedures" (RIN0694-AB78) received on November 4, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1395. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule regarding the procedure for requests for removal from the list of blocked persons, groups, and vessels received on January 29, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1396. A communication from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's Sequestration Preview Report for Fiscal Year 2000; transmitted jointly, pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977, to the Committee on the Budget and to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1397. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of an Agreement to extend the Mutual Fisheries Agreement to December 31, 2003; transmitted jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823(b), P.L. 94-265, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1398. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Rules for Group Health Plans and Health Insurance Issuers Under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act" (RIN1210-AA63) received on November 4, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1399. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Officer, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the San Francisco Bay Viticulture Area and the Realignment of the Boundary of the Central Coast Viticultural Area" (RIN1512-AA07) received on January 27, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1400. A communication from the President of the United States Institute of Peace, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Institute's activities during the four year period following the end of the Cold War (1994-1997); to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1401. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report under the Freedom of Information Act for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1402. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report entitled "Attacking Financial Institution Fraud: Fiscal Year 1996 (Second Quarterly Report)"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1403. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Citrus Canker; Addition to Quarantined Areas" (Docket 95-086-2) received on January 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1404. A communication from the Administrator of the Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Performance Standards for the Production of Certain Meat and Poultry Products" (Docket 95-033F) received on January 28, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1405. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dried Prunes Produced in California; Increased Assessment Rate" (Docket FV99-993-1 FR) received on January 28, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1406. A communication from the Executive Director of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Two-Part Documents for Commodity Pools" received on November 4, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1407. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a 6-month periodic report on

the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process (Executive Order 12947) dated January 27, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1408. A communication from the Secretary of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Custody of Investment Company Assets Outside the United States" (RIN3235-AE98) received on January 29, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1409. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a list of international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States (99–5 to 99–7); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1410. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report on the extent and disposition of U.S. contributions to international organizations for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1411. A communication from the Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's report on full-time USG employees who are performing services for which reimbursement is provided under the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1412. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a list of reports issued or released by the General Accounting Office in September 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1413. A communication from the Chair of the U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's consolidated annual report under the Inspector General Act and the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1414. A communication from the Executive Director of the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, transmiting, pursuant to law, a report on the Committee's recommendations to the President; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1415. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report under the Inspector General Act for the period from April 1, 1998 through September 30, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1416. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-494, "Uniform Per Student Funding Formula for Public Schools and Public Charter Schools and Tax Conformity Clarification Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1417. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-495, "Office of Citizen Complaint Review Establishment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1418. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-487, "Summary of Abatement of Life-or-Health Threatening Conditions Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1419. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-488, "Alcoholic Beverage Control DC Arena Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1420. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-490, "Retired Police Officer Redeployment Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1421. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-491, "Criminal Background Investigation for the Protection of Children Temporary Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1422. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-492, "Metropolitan Police Department Civilianization Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1423. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-493, "Open Alcoholic Beverage Containers Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1424. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-468, "Prohibition on Abandoned Vehicles Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1425. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-469, "Closing of a Public Alley in Square 198, S.O. 90-260, Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1426. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-471, "ARCH Training Center Real Property Tax Exemption and Equitable Real Property Tax Exemption and Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1427. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-473, "Salvation Army Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1428. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-475, "Extension of Time to Dispose of District Owned Surplus Real Property Revised Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1429. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-481, "Regional Airports Authority Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1430. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-486, "Special Events Fee Adjustment Waiver Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1431. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-485, "Drug Prevention and Children at Risk Tax Check-off Temporary Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1432. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-470, "Drug-Related Nuisance Abatement Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1433. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Colum-

bia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-474, "Sex Offender Registration Risk Assessment Clarification and Convention Center Marketing Service Contracts Temporary Amendment Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1434. A communication from the Chairman of the Appraisal Subcommittee, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Council's consolidated annual report under the Inspector General Act and the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1435. A communication from the Director of the Information Security Oversight Office, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, a copy of the Office's "Report to the President" for 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1436. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. ACT 12-489, "Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian Roman Catholic Church Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. DOMENICI):

S. 366. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro as a National Historic Trail; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 367. A bill to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act to provide for partial restitution to individuals who worked in uranium mines, mills, or transport which provided uranium for the use and benefit of the United States Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself and Mr. LOTT):

S. 368. A bill to authorize the minting and issuance of a commemorative coin in honor of the founding of Biloxi, Mississippi; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CLELAND:

S. 369. A bill to provide States with the authority to permit certain employers of domestic workers to make annual wage reports; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 370. A bill to designate the North/South Center as the Dante B. Fascell North-South Center; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. DOMENICI, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. DODD, Mr. HATCH, Mr. FRIST, Mr. MACK, and Mr. HAGEL):

S. 371. A bill to provide assistance to the countries in Central America and the Caribbean affected by Hurricane Mitch and Hurricane Georges, to provide additional trade benefits to certain beneficiary countries in the Caribbean, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. 372. A bill to make available funds under the Freedom Support Act to expand existing educational and professional exchanges with the Russian Federation to promote and